

Appl. No. 10/602,240

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REMARKS

Applicant requests entry of the above amendment to the application because it shall not require any substantial amount of additional work on the part of the patent office. As indicated above, Applicant is amending the title to more specifically reflect the claimed invention. Applicant is amending the first paragraph of page 1 of the specification as requested in the Office Action. Additionally, Applicant is amending claim 80 to more clearly describe the invention. Applicant has also added new dependent claims to provide further details of the claimed invention. The subject matter in the dependent claims is supported in the application.

Additionally, regarding the obviousness-type double patenting rejection, Applicant submits proper terminal disclaimers. Withdrawal of the double patent rejection is therefore requested.

In view of the remarks presented above, reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested. If any issue still remains, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (408) 736-6323.

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